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July 11, 1990

Mr. Brad Bradley (5HS-11)
U. S. Environmental Protection Agency
230 South Dearborn Street
Chicago, Illinois 60604

Dear Mr. Bradley:

I am in receipt of your Special Notice Letter in reference to NL Industries/Taracorp Site, Granite City, Illinois.

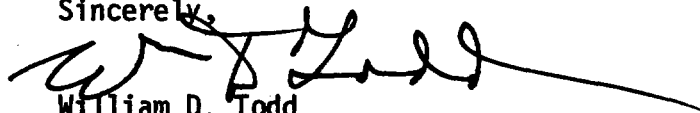
The College of the Ozarks (formerly The School of the Ozarks) is listed as a potentially responsible party to an environmental problem brought about by the exchange of 41,874 pounds of lead aircraft dies for 41,874 pounds of sheet lead. This government surplus lead was picked up at the Wichita Boeing Aircraft Company on August 1, 1979. It was our plan to melt this lead and pour into forms for shower stalls for two new dormitories. We found this to be impractical due to the type of lead and discontinued this process. We then requested, and was given, permission from the Missouri State Agency for Surplus Property to trade the lead aircraft dies for sheet lead. On July 8, 1980, we received the 41,874 pounds of sheet lead from Taracorp Industries. The lead was used in shower stalls in dormitories.

It appears illogical that the College of the Ozarks be held potentially responsible for the environmental problem created by Taracorp Industries because (1) we received 41,874 pounds of lead for the 41,874 pounds we delivered, and (2) the lead we delivered belonged to the U. S. Government (please check federal regulations on surplus property use by educational institutions).

The College of the Ozarks is a four-year liberal arts work-study college with the primary mission of serving young men and women who for financial reasons would not be able to attend another college.

We trust you will give this letter serious study and that you will remove the College of the Ozarks from your list of potentially responsible parties to the Taracorp Industries environmental problem.

Sincerely,

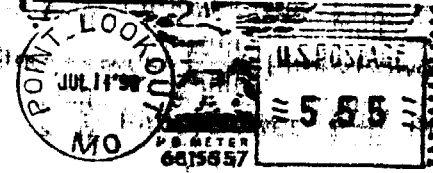
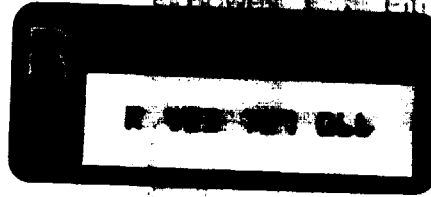

William D. Todd
Vice President

cc: State of Missouri, Office of Administration
State Agency for Surplus Property



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Return Receipt

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